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| <ul> <li>Brief Summary of the Invention</li> <li>Brief Description of the Drawings ( if filed)</li> <li>Detailed Description</li> <li>Claim(s)</li> </ul>  | 9. Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s))  10. □ 37 C.F.R.§3.73(b) Statement □ Power of (when there is an assignee) Attorney  |
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| - Abstract of the Disclosure   | 11. English Translation Document (if applicable)   |
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